(SRI. K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH).

(*b*) what their powers and functions are ;

(*c*) whether they would be pleased to place the order constituting the committees on the table ;

(*d*) whether these committees have the power to criticise the actions or policies of the Government ;

(*e*) whether they can condemn the actions of the Government ;

(*f*) whether the Rural Development Committee of Chikballapur Taluk has passed any resolutions condemning or strongly criticising the actions and the policies of the Government ;

(*g*) if so, the action that has been taken by the Government ;

A.—The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA (Home Minister).

(*a*) During the year 1948-49.

(*b*) and (*c*) Orders laid on the table of the House.*

(*d*) No.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) It is reported that the Committee passed resolutions criticising the grant of permits for cutting trees for fuel in State Forests and for allowing date trees to be tapped in dry districts.

(*g*) In respect of cutting trees, extract of the resolution is sent to the Chief Conservator of Forests and in regard to the second no action is taken since trees have to be licensed for supply of toddy to wet districts.

Anicut across Chitravathi River.

Q.—141. Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH (Kolar District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) when the anicut across Chitravati River near Someswara, Somanahalli Hobli, Gudibanda Taluk, was sanctioned ;

(*b*) whether the work was undertaken and any progress made ;

(*c*) when the work was stopped ;

(*d*) when the work is going to be taken up and finished ;

(*e*) what the cost involved is ;

(*f*) what the return would be ?

A.—The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA (Home Minister).—

(*a*) In June 1948,

(*b*) Yes. An expenditure of Rs. 1,432 has been incurred.

(*c*) The work is not stopped.

(*d*) The work is likely to be completed by the end of 1951-52.

(*e*) The amount of sanctioned estimate is Rs. 9,100.

(*f*) Adequate water supply to the atchkat of 153 acres under Somanahalli Tank in addition to the direct atchkat of 103 acres under the channel, is assured.

Ganja cultivation and surrender of excess grown.

Q.—142. Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH (Kolar District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the persons to whom licences to raise Ganja plants in Goribidnur Taluk were given from the year 1947 ;

(*b*) the acreage allotted to each ;

(*c*) whether ganja grown in any area was in excess of the allotment in any year ;

(*d*) whether there was an order for destroying the plants in the excess area in any year ;

(*e*) whether the order was obeyed or put into execution ;

(*f*) the quantity of ganja surrendered to Government by each one of the growers ;

(*g*) whether the several growers surrendered quantities in proportion to the area allotted to them ;

(*h*) if not, what action have the Government taken ?

A.—The Hon'ble Sri H. SIDDAIYA (Minister for Revenue and Excise).—

(*a*) 1947-48 No cultivation.
1948-49 Sri K. G. Basappa.
1949-50 1 Sri N. B. Chickkathimma Reddy.
2 Sri N. C. Sakarappa Reddy.
1950-51 Sri N. B. Subba Reddy.

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